By: Senator(s) Huggins

To: Public Health and

Welfare

## SENATE BILL NO. 2659

- AN ACT TO CODIFY SECTION 41-4-25, MISSISSIPPI STATE CODE OF
- 2 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF A MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF
- 3 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY TO TRANSFER ANY PATIENT OR RESIDENT TO
- 4 ANOTHER DEPARTMENT FACILITY AS NECESSARY; AND FOR RELATED
- 5 PURPOSES.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** The following provision shall be codified as
- 8 Section 41-4-25, Mississippi State Code of 1972:
- 9 41-4-25. Notwithstanding any other section of code, the
- 10 director of a Department of Mental Health facility has the
- 11 authority to transfer any patient/resident to another Department
- 12 of Mental Health facility as necessary for the welfare of that or
- 13 other patients/residents.
- 14 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 15 and after July 1, 2002.